

## PRESS RELEASE

## **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

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(Editors: If you would like to arrange an interview with a psychiatrist regarding the normal reactions experienced by children and adults who have been "burned out" of their homes, please contact Kumar Menon of the Department of Mental Health at (213) 639-6757.)

## MENTAL HEALTH HOTLINE OPEN FOR LA COUNTY FIRE VICTIMS

Los Angeles County fire victims needing crisis counseling may contact the County's Department of Mental Health 24-hour hotline at (800) 854 -7771.

People who lose their homes to fire often experience depression and family conflict once the shock of the situation has subsided.

The toll-free hotline number is for Los Angeles County residents only.